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SUBJECT: FOURTEENTH DAY OF KC DRY SEASON OFFENSIVE

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1. SUMMARY: FANK TROOPS ON THE LOWER MEKONG AND IN THE 7TH DIVISION AREA NORTH OF PHNOM PENH INFLECTED HEAVY CASUALTIES ON KC FORCES ATTACKING THEIR POSITIONS. END SUMMARY

2. KC FORCES PUSHED FANK DEFENDERS BACK FROM TWO POSITIONS ON THE LOWER MEKONG'S WEST BANK OPPOSITE THE IMPORTANT BASE OF NEAK LUONG DURING THE EARLY MORNING OF JANUARY 14, BUT FRIENDLY TROOPS RETOOK THE POSITIONS SHORTLY THEREAFTER. IN SO DOING, THEY REPORTEDLY KILLED 118 KC AND SEIZED 74 WEAPONS. ENEMY LOSSES IN THIS AREA HAVE BEEN VERY HEAVY THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS.

3. IN THE 7TH DIVISION AREA NORTH OF PHNOM PENH, THE DIVISION LOGISTICS CAMP AND COMMAND POST CAME UNDER ENEMY PRESSURE. FRIENDLY FORCES, HOWEVER, COUNTER-ATTACKED EARLY JANUARY 14, AND REPORTED KILLING APPROXIMATELY
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70 COMMUNIST SOLDIERS AND CAPTURING SOME 50 WEAPONS.

FARTHER NORTH IN THE TROUBLESOME KOMPONG LUONG-LOUDONG-
LOVK AREA (SEE REFTTEL) THE KC HAVE REPORTEDLY CAPTURED
THE STRATEGIC HIGH GROUND OVERLOOKING OUDONG.

4. THREE 107MM ROCKETS LANDED NORTH OF POCHENTONG AIR-
PORT DURING THE EVENING OF JANUARY 13, CAUSING NO
DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

5. AN ATTACK BY FANK PARATROOPERS SUPPORTED BY ARMORED
PERSONNEL CARRIERS STALLED ON THE EAST BANK TODAY AS
THEY ENCOUNTERED WELL DUG-IN ENEMY.
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